Amendment No. 1 to SJR0549

<u>Hawk</u> Signature of Sponsor

AMEND Senate Joint Resolution No. 549*

by deleting the fourth preamble clause and by substituting instead the following:

WHEREAS, Gregg Jones has followed in the grand tradition of his grandmother, Edith O'Keefe Susong, who took over the *Greeneville Democrat* in 1916 and within four years acquired two more newspapers, consolidating them into what would become the *Greeneville Sun* and the beginning of Jones Media; and

AND FURTHER AMEND by deleting the seventh and eighth preamble clauses and by substituting instead the following:

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones worked in every department at the *Sun*, including the pressroom, mailroom, and composing room, and served as circulation director as well as marketing director before he was named co-publisher in 1985 by his father, John M. Jones, Sr.; and

WHEREAS, he is responsible for the operational supervision of his family's many business interests, which include fourteen community newspapers throughout East Tennessee and western North Carolina, dozens of websites, several travel and tourism publications, a digital marketing agency, as well as a telemarketing company; and